AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A thermal trip device in which a bimetal is heated by overcurrent and performs trip operation of a circuit by curvature of said heated bimetal, wherein at least one a temperature measurement part of said bimetal is provided with a bending part bent substantially perpendicular to a longitudinal direction of said bimetal, and the surface of said bimetal bending part is made to be black.
 - 2. (Canceled)
 - 3. (Canceled)
- 4. (Currently Amended) The thermal trip device according to claim **[[3]]** 1, wherein the surface of said temperature measurement bending part of said bimetal is made to be matte black.
 - 5. (Canceled)
 - 6. (Canceled)

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- 7. (Currently Amended) A thermal trip device in which a bimetal is heated by overcurrent and performs trip operation of a circuit by curvature of said heated bimetal, wherein a temperature measurement part of said bimetal is provided with a bending part bent substantially perpendicular to <u>a</u> longitudinal direction <u>of said bimetal</u>.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A circuit breaker having a thermal trip device in which a bimetal is heated by overcurrent and performs trip operation of a circuit by curvature of said heated bimetal, wherein the surface of a temperature measurement part of said bimetal is provided with a bending part bent substantially perpendicular to a longitudinal direction of said bimetal, and the surface of said bending part is made to be black.